

Weather

Sunny today, high about 80. Partly cloudy tonight, low in the 60s. Tomorrow, warmer with showers or thundershowers; high in the 80s.

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400 BUYERS AT KAISER AUCTION

The chant of the auctioneer rattled through the vast, cavernous Kaiser Metal Products Company plant on Radcliffe St., Bristol, yesterday.

For 10 hours, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., it continued without interruption, in the first day of a four-day sale at which equipment worth \$10,000,000, when it was new, will be offered to the highest bidders.

The chant, which was kept going by four different, alternating auctioneers, was in effect a dirge. For the once throbbing, humming metal products company has gone out of business.

Seven thousand employees once worked three full shifts here; 400 potential customers yesterday could fill only a small corner of the 600,000-square-foot plant.

The customers, however, bid

enthusiastically on the 1,288 different lots included in the first day's sale, ranging from bolts to radial drills.

All told, through Friday of this week, 3,003 different lots will be sold at absolute auction. They include tiny filing segments as well as a mammoth, five-story-high, 2,500-ton shearing press that cost \$250,000 when it was purchased.

The potential customers, many of them dealers who will resell what they buy, said that the entire four days will constitute the biggest auction they've ever attended. Certainly it will be the biggest in Pennsylvania, if not in the entire country.

Uniformly High

Bids yesterday were uniformly high, according to Gus Johnson, field supervisor of Industrial

Plants Corp., the firm handling the auction.

He would not reveal the total amount involved in the 10-hour

Buy For \$1,650, Refuses \$10,000

High bid for the day was \$1,650 for Lots 1,087 to 1,098, and therein lies the most startling story of the day.

The bid was made by John Matthews, president of Wil-Mat Co., Charlotte, N.C., manufacturer of industrial castings and hardware.

It was for the tool room con-

sale and he refused to mention any particular price since it could affect the resale value, he said.

However, the auction was open

tents at the metal products plant — everything inside the room, from the girder calendar and the electric clock on the wall, still showing standard time, to the bins and shelves of parts.

Matthews apparently had not been inside the room before he

to the public and anyone who wished could hear each bid as it was made and accepted.

"Who's got a fifty-dollar bill?" the auctioneer asked as he opened the sale at 8 a.m.

Sell For \$45

No one had for Lot No. 1, which consisted of five assorted high-speed drills. They went for \$45. When no bid would equal the opening price, the auctioneer would come down. "Who's got forty dollars?" he would ask.

However, most of the time the bids would range up from the starting suggestion. Lot No. 1184, laboratory equipment listed on the catalogue as a glassonometer, went for \$180 after the auctioneer had asked for \$50 at the beginning.

Low bid among the more than



Helen French, student at Bristol High School, pins a carnation on the lapel of Theodore M. Bunten of Pepco Products Corp., Philadelphia on behalf of the Bristol Industrial Growth Committee at the mammoth auction

in the Kaiser Metal Products plant yesterday. Watching are John M. Rodgers, chairman of the B-I-G committee and a borough councilman, and James M. Nealis, (right) mayor of Bristol. (Courier-Times Photo)

4.7-Mill School Tax Hike Faces Township

Jury To Get Fine Tax Case Today

LEWISBURG, Pa. (UPI) — The income tax evasion trial of former Republican Gov. John S. Fine was expected to reach a jury today after closing Tuesday with Fine's denial of any wrongdoing and a character-witness appearance by Democratic Gov. David L. Lawrence.

Fine, 69, being tried with Donald P. Morgan on charges of evading \$38,466 in taxes for 1953 through 1957, took the stand and denied he had "wilfully and knowingly" attempted to evade payment of his taxes.

Good Evening!

Drought lingers on.

If we don't soon get a long drizzle, the farmers are going to be in trouble.

At the moment not a sprinkle in sight. But we suspect Ma Nature will handle things in her own way and at her own convenience — just as always.

Courier-Times Soap Box Derby classic July 1.

It's getting that time again? Must be and judging from interest and enthusiasm in this annual affair, the day should be an interesting and exciting one.

President Kennedy assails the American Medical Association for its attack on his medical care plan for the elderly and says it's merely trying to confuse the people.

The new great debate is apparently on.

Let's see now. Wasn't it just about ten years or so ago that Harry Truman and the doctors were getting in each others hair over a proposed national health program?

Phillies lose another one to St. Louis, 6-2.

We still think there isn't much the matter with our team a couple of good pitchers couldn't cure. And if Robin Roberts makes the grade in Baltimore, Mr. Gene Mauch's face should be mighty red.

All suburbanites are endowed with certain inalienable rights. Among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of crabgrass.

Financial success is a wonderful thing. You meet such interesting relatives.

Those who complain about the way the ball bounces are usually the ones who drop it.

If you drive, be careful.

An Appropriate Time



Sandy Oppenheimer (second from left), president of the Levittown Lions Club, gives Salvation Army Week added impetus by presenting Captain Bette Davies (right) a \$500 scholarship for a girl to take a two-year course at the Salvation Army College. Watching the ceremony are Bob Powell, president-elect of the

Levittown Lions and Capt. Barbara Bicknell. The Salvation Army, to celebrate its week, is holding an open house at its headquarters 1121 Beaver St., Bristol 4:30 to 8 p.m. tomorrow. The corps will serve a cold platter luncheon for \$1. (Courier-Times Photo)

In Neshaminy District

School Board Reverses Plans, Will Move 9th Grade Students

By DAN STUDEBAKER
Courier-Times Staff Writer

Neshaminy Joint School Board last night voted to move all district ninth graders to Neshaminy High School next term.

The action was a reversal from the board position taken last month and was a victory for the administration.

The move, which may be only for one year, resulted from an administration claim that a shortage of five elementary classrooms exists in the Levittown area.

The understanding reached last night was that the transfer was to be only temporary, for the 1962-63 school year, until Middletown Township can open its Cobalt Ridge Elementary School, now in the planning stages and scheduled for 1963 opening.

By a 22 to 9 vote the board approved the move of ninth graders. Its decision was based on

the statement of Dr. Oliver S. Heckman, district superintendent, that he believed the action was the best way to solve a shortage of five elementary school classrooms in the Levittown area.

In moving ninth graders out of Levittown's Carl Sandburg Junior High School, the district creates

classroom space at Sandburg for the five sixth grade classes.

Most of the directors objecting to the move were from the boroughs in the jointure. They were against moving their ninth graders to solve a problem confined to Levittown.

In obtaining acceptance from

Another Mission Abroad

Courier-Times Editor To Leave Friday On European Assignment

Courier-Times readers soon will be receiving another on-the-spot report on international affairs from Editor George G. Gray.

Mr. Gray enplanes Friday of this week from Idlewild Airport in New York for a month's trip in Europe where he will visit most of the principal capitals in a study of the European Economic Community, or Common Market.

His writings will be especially significant since the Common Market and America's relation to it are becoming paramount questions for this country.

The editor will visit Lisbon, Portugal; Madrid, Spain; Nice, on the French Riviera; Rome, Italy; Bonn and Berlin, Germany; Brussels, Belgium; Amsterdam, Holland; London, England; Luxembourg, capital of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg; and Geneva, Switzerland.

Earlier this year Mr. Gray spent five weeks in the Orient on a global tour. Last fall he was in Sweden and Denmark for two weeks. Two years ago he wrote a series from Rome and Paris.

On his new European mission, the editor will be a member of a

Public Hearing Friday

By SCOOP LEWIS
Courier-Times Staff Writer

The Bristol Township School Board Friday night is expected to adopt a \$6,233,123.34 budget, calling for a 4.7-mill tax increase, it was disclosed today.

The board, after meeting in executive session for five hours last night, came up with the tentative budget figure which will mean a boost in real estate taxes of approximately \$14.10 annually for homeowners whose property is assessed at roughly \$3,000.

Public Hearing

A public hearing on the budget is slated for Friday at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria of Benjamin Franklin Junior High School, Mill Creek Road, Levittown. Both the Bristol Township and Delhaas Joint School budgets will be presented for tentative adoption. Final adoptions are slated for June 28.

The record budget, it was learned, is predicated on a teachers' salary schedule calling for a minimum starting salary of \$4,400 annually. The minimum is presently \$4,200. The township's more than 450 teachers had originally sought a \$5,000 minimum.

Salary Scale

In addition to the \$4,400 minimum starting salary, the budget calls for a maximum salary of \$7,400 annually for teachers with Bachelor's degrees.

The 4.7-mill tax increase, added to the present 66.3 mills, would bring the 1962-63 school tax rate to 71 mills. The proposed budget is \$243,449.62 over the 1961-62 budget of \$5,989,673.72.

The tentative budget, arrived at early this morning by the school board and the administration, culminates about three months' work in paring the tax

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Plane Crashes In Storm Over Iowa; 45 Die

CENTERVILLE, Iowa (UPI) — A Continental Airlines jet liner crashed in a violent electrical storm Tuesday night, taking the lives of all 45 persons aboard. One of the passengers was rescued and lived for about 10 hours.

Takehiko Nakano, 27, a native of Japan, was pulled alive from the fuselage of the huge Boeing 707 nearly eight hours after it crashed. He was rushed here from the tiny valley north of nearby Unionville, Mo., where the fuselage was found, but died within two hours.

Officials said the bodies of the other 44 victims had been found — 41 of them trapped in the fuselage from which Nakano was rescued and three from 1 to 1½ miles away from the wreckage.

Nakano at first was believed miraculously spared in the crash of the plane carrying 37 other passengers and eight crewmembers.

He was identified as a Northwestern University student, but officials at the school said there they had no records on him.

Covered Wide Area

Discovery of the fuselage climaxed a search by more than 700 persons which ranged from a point near here across the state-line and into Missouri, an area scattered with fragments of wreckage.

The search for bodies and wreckage was hampered by the roughness of the terrain of forest, brush fields and farm land.

The fuselage of the plane, Con-

60 In Pennsbury Schools Teachers Won't Ink Extra-Duty Pacts

By BEN McELVEEN
Courier-Times Staff Writer

Sixty Pennsbury Schools teachers under supplemental contract to do extra chores after school will refuse to sign similar pacts for next year until all are in agreement.

Dr. Martin Rawdin, chairman of the teachers salary committee, said today the 60 teachers, of the total 440 in the entire system, voted unanimously at a recent meeting to take this stand, fearing a 50 per cent supplemental salary cut during 1962-63.

"When the students return to school in the fall," declared Rocco Dattola, president of the Pennsbury Education Association, "they will not find the same Pennsbury as this year, because teacher morale will be at a low and some extra curricular activities may be missing."

Teachers under supplemental contract are those who do extra work after school, such as coaching varsity sports, grade level and curriculum chairmen, as well

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On The Inside

BANQUET TRAIL — Sports Editor Ben Borowsky and Sports Writer Ed Conrad had plenty of good food — and enjoyed the festivities at two high school fetes last night. Page 27, 28.

HONORED — A Levittown group recently chose its "Mother of the Year." Page 13.

BIG NIGHT — The television industry presented its Emmy awards last night. Page 4.

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Action Deferred At Meeting

Legion Post Seeks 'Landia'
Estate Building For Home

Action on a request by American Legion Post 960 of Levittown to convert one of the "Landia" estate buildings into a post home was deferred last night after residents spent nearly three hours in airing their views before the Bristol Township Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Board Chairman Edward Mar-

Plane Crashes

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tinal's Flight 11, bound from Chicago for Los Angeles with a stop at Kansas City, Mo., was discovered by a farmer in a small, muddy valley.

Takehiko, trapped in the wreckage for about eight hours, was rescued after a searcher heard him moaning.

Scene of Death

The tiny valley where the major part of the wreckage lay was a scene of death littered with luggage, colorful vacation-type clothing, seats and other debris.

The fuselage, with wings and tail stripped off and its nose crushed in, appeared to have plummeted almost straight down into the valley.

There were not more than five feet of skid marks, witnesses said.

Iowa Highway Patrol Sgt. Dan Foster and Patrolman John Heaps, who flew over the area in separate planes, said they could see bodies scattered one and one-half miles from the fuselage.

Authorities took over an empty garage at Unionville, about six miles south of the spot where the fuselage was found, for use as a morgue.

It appeared the plane had disintegrated in flight, with wreckage found all the way from five miles south of Centerville to the point where the fuselage was found, about 17 miles south of this Iowa community.

Terry Burnell, who lives on the farm where the fuselage was found, said he heard a moan from the front part of the wreckage and pulled Takehiko out.

Chrysler Executives Aboard

Three Chrysler Corp. executives attached to the firm's Dodge Division, were aboard the flight. They were identified by Chrysler officials in Detroit as Virgil W. Mourning, 45, Birmingham, Mich., manager of dealer finance for Dodge; Roger Welsh, 45, Grosse Pointe, Mich., assistant Dodge general sales manager; and Fred P. Herman, 46, Dearborn, Mich., a Dodge business manager.

Returned Man Pleads Guilty

John D. Uhl pleaded guilty last night on two burglary charges in Bristol Borough. His lawyer waived a hearing and Uhl is being held without bail for court.

Uhl was arrested in Florida by the FBI May 15, and was returned to Bristol Borough by Police Chief Vincent Faragalli. He admitted stealing a station wagon and taking an \$800 tape recorder from Warren Snyder Elementary School.

Police said that Uhl and another man were apprehended in the rear of a Croydon supermarket. The accomplice was arrested but Uhl escaped and fled to Tampa.

Going in Circles

By Al Skinner

Two broom "winders" — braiders in the field of broom manufacturing — have injected a "shot in the arm" to the broom manufacturing branch of the Bucks County Association for the Blind.

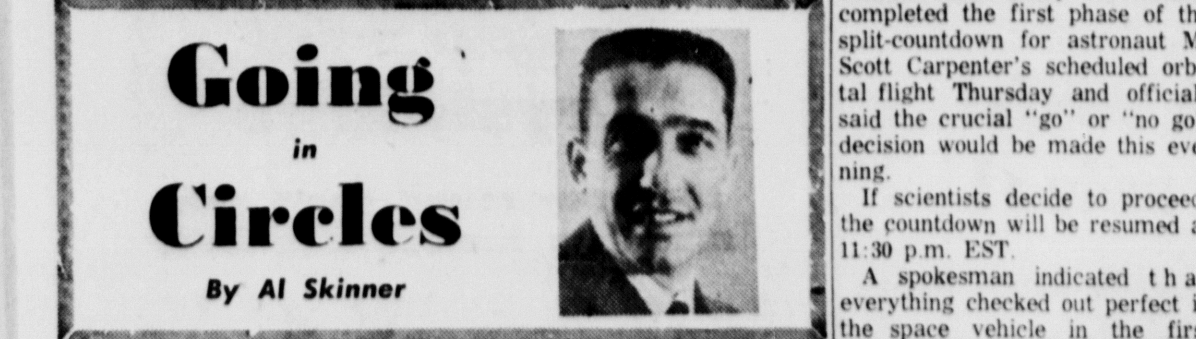
The two men, both blind, have boosted production at the local plant to 240 brooms a day. Most of the 30 employees at the plant are blind or handicapped.

The plant is located in the old Bath Street School, 635 Bath St., Bristol.

Norman Ryan, executive director of the association, said that since the two highly skilled "winders" were hired three weeks ago, production has soared to its highest level.

"If these two men were lost," Ryan pointed out, "we would probably have to lay off quite a few men, because they are the two factors which make the production move. These type of skilled men are difficult to find."

The two men commute each day by train from Philadelphia, a 50-mile round trip. They are



picked up at the station here by a company truck and brought to the factory, Ryan said.

However, the jobs of these two men and many of the employees at the broom factory are in jeopardy. And production at the factory may fall considerably.

Why?

The two broom "winders" have been searching frantically for board and lodging, or just lodging, in this area — but have been turned down.

The two blind men have been living at their present home in Philadelphia for 15 years, it was learned, and have had no accidents and have needed no help whatsoever, Ryan said.

If no lodging is found for the two men soon, they will have to leave their jobs. In turn, other employees at the broom factory will be laid off, until two more "winders" can be found. However, men of this skill are far and few between.

Norman Ryan hopes someone will provide the two with a home.

For Outstanding Service



Dr. Everett A. McDonald Jr. (second from left), superintendent of the Centennial Joint Schools, received an award in recognition of "outstanding service in community and civic affairs" from George E. Haynes (left), chairman of the Friends Service Association for the Delaware Valley, Inc. at a meeting in the Yardley Meeting House last night. Witnesses at the presentation were guest speaker Pearl Buck, author and humanitarian; and Thomas E. Colgan, executive director of the association. Dr. McDonald was cited for his leadership of a training program for young men in the Doylestown Prison. (Courier-Times Photo)

Teachers

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as dramatic coaches and those who handle student stores.

This refusal - to - work stand by the 60 teachers came as a result of the new \$715,244 Pennsylvania budget, which the teachers claim that in the new budget, the \$40,000 earmarked this year for supplementary contracts has been sliced in half to \$20,000, Rawdin said.

Rawdin explained that teachers are selected for the supplemental duties by the school board, but the teacher has every right to refuse the offer. They are usually selected for the work because of their own special abilities.

Budget Awaits Approval

The school budget still awaits final approval by the school board on June 18.

Dattola said the \$20,000 reduction was because the Pennsylvania board was trying to "pinch pennies."

Said Dattola: "The amount needed to meet the full salary requests of the teachers comes to only about \$50,000, which would call for less than one extra mill in taxes."

The teachers originally requested from \$300 to \$500 in salary increases, but the board had drawn up a salary guide which gives them roughly \$200 to \$400.

A meeting of the entire PEA will be held at 8 o'clock tonight in the auditorium at Charles H. Boehm School, Lower Makefield, to evaluate the situation in regard to the board's failure to meet salary requests, Rawdin said.

Truck Kills Man On Pa. Turnpike

A man identified as Jurko Kurus, 50, of Minneapolis, Minn., was pronounced dead at Lower Bucks County Hospital this morning by Deputy Coroner John C. Black after he was struck by a tractor-trailer truck on the Pennsylvania Turnpike two miles west of the Bristol exchange at 1:55 a.m.

Black said that Kurus is believed to have been hitchhiking on the west lane of the highway when the accident occurred. He said that Kurus died of a fractured skull and internal injuries.

The accident was investigated by Trooper Alfred W. Bolcavitch of the Plymouth Meeting state police barracks.

C of C To Hear Bank President

Casimir A. Sienkiewicz, president of Central Penn National Bank, will speak on "Business and Credit Conditions," at the Bristol Chamber of Commerce meeting, tomorrow, 6:30 p.m., in the Bucks Hotel, Feasterville.

In his talk Sienkiewicz will outline the present progress or lack of it in business, discuss the use of bank credit and the factors that facilitate or retard the economic growth of the country, and he also will make comment on the European common market, the chamber announced.

MEETING TONIGHT

There will be an organizational meeting of the 750 Winter Scratch League tonight at 8 o'clock at Jubilee Lanes. All women interested, with or without teams, are invited to attend.

Births

Lower Bucks County Hospital

May 21

Mr. and Mrs. George Conrad, 43 Nungett Lane, Levittown, boy.

May 22

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Potocny, 7 Inbrook Road, Levittown, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bailey, 711 Fairview Ave., Bristol, boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Murray, 81 Cobalt Ridge Drive, Levittown, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Higgins, 6450 Crescent Ave., Cornwells Heights, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Shifter, 15 Rain Lily Road, Levittown, girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fink, 601 Radcliffe St., Bristol, boy.

Youth Found Unconscious

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A power mower was running with the fumes pouring into the room. His parents returned from the shore and discovered him. They called the police who took the boy to Lower Bucks County Hospital. The hospital refuses to reveal the youth's condition.

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L. S'hampton Refuses To Go Along

Neshaminy School District's summer school program was reopened for students in five of the Neshaminy Jointure's six districts.

The Neshaminy School Board, acting as separate member boards, authorized the reopening at a meeting last night. Only Lower Southampton, beset by whopping millage increases, refused to go along with the action proposed by William Rakita, president of the Middletown Township board.

Budget Cut

The summer session had been closed to registration a week ago due to curtailment of the School District administration's proposed budget.

John Paul, business administrator for the district, said the action means summer school registrations are open, but added that the administration has not set up procedures for accepting the registrations yet.

Originally, the 1962 summer school was scheduled to accept more than 900 students, but registrations were halted after 754 pupils signed up. The summer sessions are scheduled to start in a few weeks.

Each school district of the jointure will pay for its own students, including teaching costs, under the plan to reopen.

The reopening was scheduled after many parents and groups, particularly from parochial schools, protested that registrations were halted earlier than the date publicized, depriving many students of a fair chance to register.

First-Come Basis

The summer school takes students on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Dr. Kenneth King, director of the program, said the reopening will be difficult, due to the fact that many teachers have already accepted other types of summer positions and may be under moral obligation not to suddenly resign.

The Board last night also adopted in final action the \$4,803,292 budget for 1962-63 that was tentatively approved last month.

Approval came after deliberation of whether the budget, representing an 11 to 12 per cent increase over last year's, was large enough.

The large financial items straining the budget are a \$220,000 outlay to place district teachers on a higher pay scale and \$250,000 for an anticipated increase of 550 students enrolling.

Dr. Oliver S. Heckman, district superintendent, believed it was not "We will retrogress compared to last year," he said.

The district administration objected to a \$450,000 cut the board had made in the original budget proposed by the administration.

Educational System

Dr. Heckman said the approved budget would adversely affect the educational system in these areas: textbooks, libraries, guidance, teaching in the fields of art and music, and school nursing.

In other action, the board appointed Dr. King to the permanent position of high school principal. Previously he was principal on an interim basis.

The board elected its own officers last night for the 1962-63 year. William H. Miller, of the Lower Southampton Board, was elected first vice president; Howard A. Martin, of Hulmeville, was elected second vice president; and Frank R. Mitchell, of Langhorne Borough, won the treasurer's position.

Weather

SEASONAL TEMPERATURES

High today: 80
Low tonight: 64.

High tomorrow: 78.
Low yesterday: 55.
Low this morning: 55.

Sunset tonight: 8:15 p.m.
Sunrise tomorrow: 5:36 a.m.
Sunset tomorrow: 8:16 p.m.

Forecast: Sunny today, high about 80. Partly cloudy tonight, low in the 60s. Tomorrow, warmer with showers or thunder-showers, high in the 80s. 5-day outlook: Temperatures to average 4-5 degrees above normal of 66. Showers or thunder-showers tomorrow and again Sunday or Monday.

Circus Moves To New Site

The Christiani-Wallace Brothers Circus will give two shows today, at 4 and 8 p.m.

The circus has relocated to Route 13, opposite the Courier-Times Building. (See picture Page 33).

Tomorrow's Tides At Bristol

Low: 2:22 a.m. High: 7:28 a.m.
Low: 3:03 p.m. High: 8 p.m.

— for the tides at Morrisville add 15 minutes for high tide and 45 minutes for low tide.